

**COUNTY COUNCIL OF FREDERICK COUNTY
MEETING MINUTES
Tuesday, August 17, 2021**

Council Members M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President; Michael Blue, Vice-President, Jerry Donald, Kai Hagen, Jessica Fitzwater, Phil Dacey and Steve McKay were present for the meeting.

Also present were Ragen Cherney, Chief of Staff, County Council; Catherine Keller, Assistant County Attorney; Sarah Ambrosio, Recording Secretary; and Nancy Luna, Executive Assistant, County Council.

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. virtually.

Opening Statement from Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer

Council President M.C. Keegan-Ayer provided an opening statement at the start of the meeting. Included in that statement was a welcoming to the Legislative meeting for Tuesday, August 17, 2021 and information on how to watch and participate in the meeting.

The meeting began with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Action on the Agenda

Council Member Michael Blue moved to approve the agenda as presented. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Business Items:

Budget Adjustments

- J-21-368 – Accounting, Finance Division
- J-21-369 – Scott Key Center, Citizens Services Division
- J-22-028 – Transportation Services Division
- J-22-029 – Frederick County Public Libraries

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Council Member Steve McKay moved to approve Budget Adjustments J-21-368, J-21-369, J-22-028 and J-22-029 as presented. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Approval of Minutes from August 10, 2021.

Council Member Steve McKay moved to approve the minutes from August 10, 2021. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater seconded the motion that passed 6-0-1. Council Vice President Michael Blue Abstained.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue			X
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Debt Policy Resolution for Frederick County, Maryland

Erin White, Director, Finance, presented information to the Council on the Debt Policy Resolution for Frederick County, Maryland.

Council Member Jessica Fitzwater moved to approve the Resolution to adopt the Debt Policy for Frederick County Maryland, effective July 1, 2021, as presented by staff. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		

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At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Bond Authorizing Resolution for the September 2021 Sale of General Obligation Public Facilities Bonds, Tax-Exempt Series 2021A and General Obligation Public Facilities Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2021B

Erin White, Director, Finance Division and James Cumbie, Esquire, Venable LLP (County Bond Counsel), provided information to the Council on the Bond Authorizing Resolution for the September 2021 Sale of General Obligation Public Facilities Bonds, Tax-Exempt Series 2021A and General Obligation Public Facilities Refunding Bonds, Taxable Series 2021B.

Public Hearing NPDES – MS4 – Financial Assurance Plan

Shannon Moore, Director, Sustainability & Environmental Resources Office, presented information to the Council for the Public Hearing NPDES – MS4 – Financial Assurance Plan.

Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Council President Keegan-Ayer closed the record. Council Member Jessica Fitzwater moved to approve NPDES – MS4 – Financial Assurance Plan as presented. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Community Development Block Grant Second Public Hearing – Down payment Assistance

Susan Brown, Director, and Ryan Trout, Housing Program Manager – Community Development, Department of Housing & Community Development, Citizens Services Division, presented information to the Council for the Community Development Block Grant Second Public Hearing – Down payment Assistance.

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Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Council President Keegan-Ayer closed the record.

Update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and Budget Authority

Rick Harcum, Chief Administrative Officer and Lori Depies, Chief Financial Officer, Office of the County Executive, provided an Update on the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) and Budget Authority.

Council Member Steve McKay moved to approve budget journal J-22-039 in the amount of \$25,206,981 reflecting Frederick County's first allocation of the ARPA Coronavirus State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds. Council Member Kai Hagen seconded the motion that passed 7-0.

Council Members	Aye	Nay	Absent/ Abstain/ Present
District 1 – Donald	X		
District 2 – McKay	X		
District 4 – Fitzwater	X		
District 5 – Blue	X		
At-large – Dacey	X		
At-large – Hagen	X		
Presiding Officer – Keegan-Ayer	X		

Public Comment was heard from:

- None

Council Member Comments:

Council Member comments were provided.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

M.C. Keegan-Ayer, President
County Council